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Subject: RE: Tellurium in Silverton, CO?

I am not aware of tellurium in the Upper Animas River Watershed at this time.

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From: Wasserman, Naomi [mailto:nwasser2@illinois.edu]
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Hi Paula,

I am a graduate student in the Department of Geology at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. My research focuses on the systematics of tellurium isotopic fractionation and what these signatures can reveal the fate and transport of this element.

I recently read that the EPA is embarking on an investigation of potential mine contamination in Silverton, CO. Are you aware of any high Te (greater than 1 ppm?) sites along Cement Creek, Animas River, or in the general area? If so, I would be very interested in speaking with you more about the nature of the contamination in Silverton.

Thank you,

Naomi

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